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27th August, 2003

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Dear Sirs,

Allotment of Shares under the ITC Employee Stock Option Scheme

In terms of the Listing Agreement, we write to advise that the Company on 27th August, 2003 has issued and allotted 6,987 Ordinary Shares of Rs.10/- each, upon exercise of 6,987 Options by eligible employees under the ITC Employee Stock Option Scheme.

Consequently, with effect from 27th August, 2003, the Issued and Subscribed Share Capital of the Company stands increased to Rs.247,52,07,170/- divided into 24,75,20,717 Ordinary Shares of Rs.10/- each.

Yours faithfully,
ITC Limited

(B. B. Chatterjee)



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